

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-6, 8, 10-13, 15-20, 69-88, 137-139, 141-142 and 145 are pending. Claims 1-6, 8, 1-13, 15-20, 69-88, 137-139, 141-142 and 145 have been rejected.

Claims 1-3, 11, 12, 15, 16, 19, 20, 69-71, 78-80, 83, 87, 88, 137-139, 141, 142 and 145 have been amended. No claims have been canceled. No claims have been added. Support for the amendments is found in the specification, the drawings, and in the claims as originally filed. Applicants submit that the amendments do not add new matter.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1-6, 8, 10-13, 15-20, 69-74, 76-88, 137-139, 141-142 and 145 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,629,138 to Lambert et al. (“Lambert”) in view of “RFC 2250: RTP Payload Format for MPEG1/MPEG2 Video” to Hoffman, et al. (“Hoffman”).

Applicants have amended claim 1 to include transmitting a request for one or more Real-Time Protocol (“RTP”) header extensions associated with said streaming media data, wherein each of said one or more RTP header extensions represents a type of related or unrelated data that is necessary for performing a particular transmission operation for a packet of said streaming media data; and receiving said one or more RTP header extensions associated with said streaming media data, wherein each of said one or more RTP header extensions is a sub-extension in an extensible extended RTP header of the packet of said streaming media data, wherein the sub-extension has a sub-extension name code and data, wherein the sub-extension name code uniquely identifies and describes the type of the data in the sub-extension, and a sub-extension identification (ID) identifying the sub-extension within each RTP packet.

The Examiner acknowledged that “ Lambert does not ...disclose wherein each of said one or more RTP header extensions represents a type of related or unrelated data that is necessary for performing a particular transmission operation for a packet of said streaming media data” (Office Action 04/28/06, p. 4).

The Examiner also acknowledged that “ Lambert does not...disclose receiving said one or more RTP header extensions associated with said streaming media data, wherein each of said one or more RTP header extensions is a sub-extension in an extensible extended RTP header of the packet of said streaming media data, wherein the sub-extension has a sub-extension name code and data, wherein the sub-extension name code uniquely identifies and describes the type of the data in the sub-extension, and a sub-extension identification (ID) identifying the sub-extension within each RTP packet” (Office Action 04/28/06, p. 4).

In fact, Lambert discloses storing and delivering documents on the Internet. More specifically, Lambert discloses the communication between clients, server, and caching servers using open standard protocols, such as HTTP, MIME, and TCP/IP (col.5, lines 39-46, col. 6, lines 9-12).

Hoffman discloses a packetization scheme to transport MPEG video and audio streams using the Real-time Transport Protocol. More specifically, Hoffman discloses attaching the MPEG header after the RTP header (3. 4, p.7, 3.5, p. 10). In particular, the portion of Hoffman cited by the Examiner merely discloses MPEG video specific header extensions (3.4.1, p. 9). In contrast, amended claim 1 refers to transmitting a request for one or more Real-Time Protocol (“RTP”) header extensions associated with said streaming media data wherein each of said one or more RTP header extensions represents a type of related or unrelated data that is necessary for performing a particular transmission operation for a packet of said streaming media data. Additionally, Hoffman fails to disclose receiving said one or more RTP header extensions associated with said streaming media data, wherein each of said one or more RTP header

extensions is a sub-extension in an extensible extended RTP header of the packet of said streaming media data, wherein the sub-extension has a sub-extension name code and data, wherein the sub-extension name code uniquely identifies and describes the type of the data in the sub-extension, and a sub-extension identification (ID) identifying the sub-extension within each RTP packet, as recited in amended claim 1.

Thus, neither Lambert, nor Hoffman discloses, teaches, or suggests the discussed limitations of amended claim 1.

It is respectfully submitted that Lambert does not teach or suggest a combination with Hoffman, and Hoffman does not teach or suggest a combination with Lambert. Lambert teaches delivering documents using HTTP, MIME, and TCP/IP protocols. In contrast, Hoffman teaches the packetization scheme to transport video and audio streams using Real-Time Transport Protocol.

It would be impermissible hindsight, based on Applicants' own disclosure, to combine Lambert and Hoffman.

Furthermore, even if Lambert and Hoffman were combined, such a combination would lack the following limitations of amended claim 1: transmitting a request for one or more Real-Time Protocol ("RTP") header extensions associated with said streaming media data, wherein each of said one or more RTP header extensions represents a type of related or unrelated data that is necessary for performing a particular transmission operation for a packet of said streaming media data; and receiving said one or more RTP header extensions associated with said streaming media data, wherein each of said one or more RTP header extensions is a sub-extension in an extensible extended RTP header of the packet of said streaming media data, wherein the sub-extension has a sub-extension name code and data, wherein the sub-extension name code uniquely identifies and describes the type of the data in the sub-extension, and a sub-extension identification (ID) identifying the sub-extension within each RTP packet.

Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that amended claim 1 is not obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Lambert in view of Hoffman.

Given that claims 2-6, 8, 10-13, 15-20, 69-74, 76-88, 137-139, 141-142 and 145 contain related limitations, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 2-6, 8, 10-13, 15-20, 69-74, 76-88, 137-139, 141-142 and 145 are not obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Lambert in view of Hoffman.

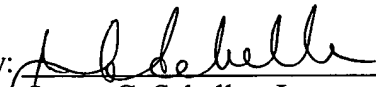
CONCLUSION

It is respectfully submitted that in view of the amendments and arguments set forth herein, the applicable rejections and objections have been overcome. If there are any additional charges, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any fee deficiency that may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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